Newsletter

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Menu Week 3 - W/B 18.09.23



The highlight of the week...

Has been getting to know in real detail how the school works; getting to meet children, parents and staff; working with the whole community including the Trust, during this first period of reflection. It has been great listening to the views of so many people: the children's comments have been fantastic and really helpful; parents who have been in touch already have given me some useful and helpful insights and the meetings with staff have enabled me to draw up some important early thoughts and questions.

Apologies to anyone who has asked me a question I have not been able to answer; hopefully as I spend more time in school, I will be able to answer more and more questions! Thankyou to everyone for being so supportive.

Just a reminder that I have three opportunities to meet and discuss anything that you feel is important at the beginning of October:

3rd October 9:15am and 3:30pm in person, or online at 7:30pm on Tuesday 10th October (link to follow)

There is no set agenda, I just would like to hear from as many parents as possible about what they like/do not like about school and what areas you feel are important. If you cannot attend, please do email.

Other news...

- Our new EYFS children have settled in remarkably well to their life at Newby and Scalby School, many smiles and great learning of new routines have been seen. It was very evident today that it has been a very long week for some of them – but they have another 14 years of school ahead of them, so this can be expected!
- The staff have been planning some fundraising events in the near future, which all sound very exciting, so watch this space as I do not want to spoil their thunder!
- The school has developed a new reading spine that will ensure that every child has the experience of a wide range of texts on a variety of subjects, with a range of language and thought-provoking ideas. As part of this development, which is one of the keys to reading success we will be sending out a request for book donations to help us create a bank of high quality texts.



As agreed by the School Council 2023

- We are updating our school website on a regular basis in order to make it more user friendly and informative, please do check it if you can. There is an updated section on Phonics and Safeguarding. More will follow shortly.
- One of my passions is PE and I believe there is a sport for every child if there are any clubs/groups etc that might be interested in running a club on site, please let me know.

And finally... Our assembly this week was all on the rule of law, with a reminder of the newly established school rules. Never Give Up, Enthusiastic Learners, We are kind and helpful, Be safe and Respectful, You say please and thankyou.

Best wishes, Steve Owen - Executive Headteacher